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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 20, 2007 for the above-referenced patent application, enclosed herewith are the following documents:

- 1. REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT.
- 2. INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT WITH FORM PTO/SB/08A AND FORM PTO/SB/08B AND CITED REFERENCES.
- 3. **PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME.**
- 4. **POWER OF ATTORNEY**
- 5. **PAYMENT** The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 03-1664 in the amount of \$2230.00 for the extension of time fee.

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